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Birth Rate

2762. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state the average birth rate in the country as per Census, 1991 and how far Family Welfare Programmes have helped in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): No information is available regarding average birth rate in the country as per 1991 Census. However the latest estimate of birth rate as obtained from Sample Registration system (SRS) of Registrar General, India for the year 1989 is 30.6 per thousand population. Appreciable success has been achieved in building a wide network of health and family welfare infrastructure in the country and launching an integrated Maternal and Child Health Care (MCH) Programme including the Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP). As a result, Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) had declined from 146 per thousand live births in 1951-55 to 91 in 1989. Birth rate had declined from 41.7 per thousand (1951-61) to 30.6 per thousand (1989). 44.1% of the eligible couples are now estimated to be practising contraception as on 31st March, 1991 against only 10.4% on 31st March, 1971. Since the inception of the programme, 130 million births are estimated to have been averted.

Expenditure On Family Planning

2763. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of couples who have adopted Family Welfare Programme, State-wise;

implementation of a programme during last three years, year and state-wise;

(c) the targets fixed for Family Welfare Programme for 1991-92;

(d) whether any analysis has been made about the success of Family Welfare Programme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a). A statement giving State-wise percentage of eligible couples estimated to have been protected due to various family planning methods as on 31.3.1991 is given at Annexure-I.

(b) A statement containing State-wise expenditure (both cash and kind) incurred towards implementation of Family Welfare Programme during the last three year viz. 1988-89, 1989-90 and 1990-91 is given at Annexure-II.

(c) A set of statements giving State-wise and Method-wise Family Welfare Targets fixed for 1991-92 is given at Annexure-III.

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